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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Acting Director, National Foreign Assessment

SUBJECT:

Access to Henry Kissinger's SALT Files

- 1. Action Required: See recommendation, paragraph 4, below.
- Background: Your memo of 28 August 1978 (opposite) asks whether Kissinger's SALT files would be valuable to our analysts. The answer is definitely affirmative. Access to these files would:
- -- allow us to place in perspective Soviet negotiating tactics and programmatic decisions made during the SALT ONE process;
- -- provide a more authoritative background in assessing current Soviet programmatic changes as they relate to or are influenced by the SALT TWO negotiations (e.g., changes in MIRV deployment programs);
- -- provide insights of significant value in understanding Soviet behavior in strategic matters beyond the more narrow SALT context.
- 3. Possession of a copy of these files would be highly desirable to facilitate long term analysis. If necessary we would certainly settle for access to the originals if that were the ground rules.
- 4. Recommendation: That you seek to obtain possession of or access to Kissinger's SALT files.

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his oral comment Kissinger files that there has b Government. If	made in his papers and is to us was that we should have access to the on SALT discussions. He indicated to me orally been a court ruling that these files belong to the so, should we ask either for access to or possession and our SALT analysts find these beneficial? STANSFIELD TURNER	25X1A 25X1A 25X1A
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